

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING

BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 10 NOVEMBER 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 0802-1-01 (ACCNO 6644) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: KERR, JOHN CREIGHTON GILLE Date Status assigned: 4 Jun 1971

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	
Service	AIR FORCE	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	04	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	RUDDY
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	GREY	Weapon	.38 CAL PISTOL
Serial No	003065522	Height	72 in /1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	659941
Birth date	16 Mar 1932	Weight	175 lb / 79.3 kg	Duty pos	PILOT
Home State	FLORIDA	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

	INCIDENT LOCATION (0)	LAST KNOWN LOCATION (1)
Site Type:	CRASH SITE	BURIAL SITE
UTM:	48QUG484729	48QUG493723
Lat/Long:	193850N / 1033314E	193830N / 1033345E
Country:	LAOS	
Military Region:	2	
Mission Province:	XIANGKHOANG	
(formerly):		
Mission District:	KHAM	
Mission Date:	22 Aug 1967	
Mission Category:	3	
Local Analysis:	None.	Unknown location.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Jun 92, Feb 90
Investigations: Jun 93
Surveys: Jun 93
Site Identified: Jun 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: DISCREPANCY
Survivability: (3) Unknown

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: A26A	Serial: 17662
Crash Type: None	Engine Type: R2800
Call Sign: NIMROD 38	1 Serial:
Year: 64	2 Serial:

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

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REFNO: 0802-2-02 (ACCNO 6645) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: MORGAN, BURKE HENDERSON Date Status assigned: 4 Jun 1971

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	
Service	AIR FORCE	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O +
Grade	03	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	RUDDY
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	#	Weapon	.38 CAL PISTOL
Serial No	000062701	Height	72 in /1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	663626
Birth date	4 Jun 1936	Weight	185 lb / 83.8 kg	Duty pos	NAVIGATOR
Home State	COLORADO	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

	INCIDENT LOCATION (0)	LAST KNOWN LOCATION (2)
Site Type:	CRASH SITE	
UTM:	48QUG484729	48QUG482792
Lat/Long:	193850N / 1033314E	194215N / 1033305E
Country:	LAOS	
Military Region:	2	
Mission Province:	XIANGKHOANG	
(formerly):		
Mission District:	KHAM	
Mission Date:	22 Aug 1967	0 0
Mission Category:	3	
Local Analysis:	None.	

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

19 January 1976

ON 22 AUGUST 1967 MAJ JOHN C. G. KERR, PILOT, AND CAPT BURKE H. MORGAN, NAVIGATOR, WERE FLYING AN A26A AIRCRAFT, (#64-17662), ON AN ARMED RECONNAISSANCE MISSION OVER LAOS. THE CREW HAD PLANNED TO CONTACT A GROUND AIR CONTROL SITE NEAR ROUTE # 6, THEN PROCEEDED TO MAKE A RECONNAISSANCE OF ROUTE #19, AND THEN ROUTE #61 TO THE VICINITY OF BAN BAN, LAOS. INVERT GROUND CONTROL LOST RADAR CONTACT WITH THE AIRCRAFT AT 342 DEGREES, 103 MILES OFF CHANNEL 89. THE LAST RADIO CONTACT BY THIS CREW WAS WITH INVERT AT 0112 HOURS IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES VG 000 009.

THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF TROUBLE AS OF THE LAST RADIO CONTACT. THERE WERE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO REESTABLISH RADIO CONTACT, BUT ALL WERE WITHOUT SUCCESS. AN EXTENSIVE VISUAL AND ELECTRONIC SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED, BUT ALL SEARCH EFFORTS WERE TERMINATED AT 1140 HOURS ON 22 AUGUST 1967 BECAUSE OF THE VAST AREA INVOLVED AND BECAUSE OF THE ENEMY AIR DEFENSES. NO AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE OR DEBRIS WAS EVER FOUND. (REF 2)

THE PATHET LAO RADIO REPORTED THAT THE ARMED FORCES IN XIENG KHOANG PROVINCE ON 22 AUGUST 1967 SHOT DOWN A US AIRCRAFT WHILE IT WAS RECONNOITING VILLAGES ALONG HIGHWAY 7. THE THREE US ABOARD, INCLUDING A MAJOR AND A CAPTAIN, WERE CHARRED WHEN THE PLANE CRASHED IN FLAMES. (NFI). (THIS REPORT PROBABLY CORRELATES TO THE LOSS OF THE KERR/MORGAN AIRCRAFT). (REF 3)

ON 29 OCTOBER 1967 A SOURCE REPORTED THAT HE HAD SEEN THE WRECKAGE OF A CRASHED USAF AIRCRAFT AT (GC) UG 493 723, BETWEEN BAN KHONG GRID SQUARE (GS) 4872 AND BAN THA THANG, (GS) 4972. THE CREW WAS BURIED ABOUT TEN METERS FROM THE CRASH SITE. (THIS SITE MAY CORRELATE TO THIS INCIDENT) (REF 1)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. MAJ KERR AND CAPT MORGAN ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION ===

29 September 1983

SOURCE REPORTS HEARSAY INFO OF THE CRASH OF AN AIRCRAFT AND DEATH OF THE PILOT IN THE VICINITY OF UG 5071. THIS POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO MAJ JOHN C. G. KERR. (REF 4)

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10 December 1984

SOURCE OBSERVED TWO GRAVES ALLEGED TO BE THOSE OF ALLEGED AMERICANS VICINITY OF BAN KHANG (UG 488 720), LAOS. SOURCE WAS TOLD THAT THEY WERE TWO U.S. PILOTS WHO HAD DIED NEAR THE VILLAGE WHEN THEIR TWO-PROPELLOR AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN DURING 1968 OR 1969. THIS PROBABLY CORRELATES TO MAJ KERR AND CPT MORGAN. (REF 5)

14 April 1986

SOURCE CLAIMED HE OBSERVED AN AIRCRAFT CRASH AFTER BEING HIT BY PAVN ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE. THE AIRCRAFT CRASHED APPROXIMATELY TEN KILOMETERS WEST OF BAN BAN TOWN IN THE VICINITY OF UG 4279. THIS PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0802 INCIDENT. (REF 6)

8 April 1987

SOURCE PROVIDED SECOND HAND INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CRASH OF AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT AND BURIAL OF THE TWO PILOTS IN THE VICINITY OF WG 5765. THIS INFORMATION PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0802. (REF 9)

13 May 1987

SOURCE PROVIDED FIRSTHAND INFORMATION CONCERNING A CRASH SITE IN THE VICINITY OF UG 365 644. THIS INFORMATION PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0802. (REF 10)

2 April 1990

SOURCE PROVIDED HEARSAY INFORMATION OF THE CRASH SITE OF A "SPOOKY" AIRCRAFT NEAR BAN BAN. THIS POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0802. THIS IS THE ONLY MULTI-ENGINE PROPELLER AIRCRAFT LOST IN THIS AREA. (REF 11)

=== REFERENCES ===

14 April 1986

REFERENCES: <1> MSG , AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE, #053, FOV 12, 313, 311145Z OCT 67. <2> EXTRACT , PACAF INTEL INDEX, PAGE 3-132, 18 JUN 73. <3> MSG , FBI 101631Z SEP 67. <4> REFCON , 83-061, 16 MAY 83. <5> REFCON , 84-226, 5 NOV 84. <6> REFCON , 85-193, 29 MAY 85. <7> REFCON , 85-310, 5 AUG 85. <8> REFCON , 85-095, 29 SEP 85. <9> REFCON , 86-585. <10> REFCON , 87-151. <11> REFCON 88-341, 14 JUNE 1988. <12> CJTFFA DET ONE 220726Z AUG 93. <13> CDR JTF-FA/J2 091102Z NOV 93.

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=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

27 September 1990

DURING THE 1-2 FEB 90 CONSULTATIVE MEETING, THE JCRC PASSED MAPS ANNOTATED WITH 90 CRASH SITES LOCATED IN XIANGKHOANG, KHAMMOUAN AND SALAVAN PROVINCES. THE LAO ACCEPTED THE MAPS AND AGREED TO STUDY THEM. REFNO 0802 WAS ONE OF THE SITES INVOLVED.

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

19 January 1976

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: JOHN C.G. KERR 0802-1-01, AND BURKE H. MORGAN 0802-1-02.

=== MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ===

21 April 1976

BURIAL SITE COORDINATES OF UG 493 723 FOR REFNO 0802-1-01 AND REFNO 0802-1-02 ENTERED BASED ON MSG AMEMBASSY VTN LA, DTG 311145Z OCT 67.

27 January 1976

CHANGE INCIDENT LOCATION FM UG 493 723 TO UG 490 720 AND ENTER BURIAL SITE OF UG 493 723 BASED ON AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE 311145Z OCT 67.

20 September 1993

INCIDENT LOCATION COORDINATES CHANGED FROM 48QUG470720 TO 48QUG484729 AND A LAST KNOWN LOCATION WAS ADDED; COORDINATES ARE 48QUG482792. (REF 12)

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

15 September 1993

ON 28 JULY 1993, A JOINT U.S./LAO INVESTIGATION/RECOVERY TEAM (IRT) INVESTIGATED THIS CASE AND SURVEYED THE CRASH SITE AND AN ALLEGED GRAVE. AT THE KHAM DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE, GRID COORDINATE (GC) UG495710, THE TEAM MET WITH AN OFFICIAL WHO WAS A WITNESS TO THE INCIDENT. THE WITNESS LED THE TEAM TO THE CRASH SITE NEAR BAN KHONG VILLAGE, GC UG484729. VILLAGERS WERE INTERVIEWED AND SEVERAL ADDITIONAL WITNESSES WERE FOUND WHOSE STORIES WERE THE SAME AS THE DISTRICT OFFICIAL. THE DISTRICT OFFICIAL REPORTED HE VISITED THE SITE THE MORNING AFTER THE

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CRASH AND SAW PARTIAL REMAINS AT UG484727 AND UG483730. THREE DAYS AFTER THE CRASH, THE OFFICIAL REPORTEDLY FOUND THE BODY OF A CREWMEMBER WHO HAD APPARENTLY BEEN KILLED WHEN HE PARACHUTED SIX KILOMETERS NORTH OF THE CRASH SITE AT UG482792. THE WITNESS REPORTED HE BURIED THE REMAINS AT THIS LOCATION. THE WITNESS INDICATED THAT UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS HAD EXHUMED THE GRAVE SITE IN 1986. AT THE CRASH SITE, THE TEAM FOUND MINIMAL WRECKAGE. THE TEAM FOUND A SMALL BATTERY AT ONE LOCATION WHERE THE WITNESS REPORTED SEEING PARTIAL REMAINS. A SURVEY OF THE GRAVESITE AREA REVEALED 14 TRENCHES HAD BEEN DUG ACROSS THE SITE. A SEARCH OF THE AREA FOUND A ZIPPER WITH PORTIONS OF CLOTH ATTACHED NEAR THE EXHUMED GRAVE. (REF 12)

10 November 1993

DURING THE 93-6L JFA, A JOINT TEAM SURVEYED A CRASH SITE AT GRID UG 484729. ONE ITEM RECOVERED IS CONSISTENT WITH AN A-26 SERIES AIRCRAFT. NO PERSONAL FLIGHT EQUIPMENT WAS RECOVERED. REFNO 0802 IS THE ONLY A-26 CRASH SITE WITHIN 40 KM OF THE SITE SURVEYED. (REF 13)